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Applicant : Bethany Kniffin Hoogs et al.
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Title : METHOD, SYSTEM AND COMPUTER PRODUCT FOR ANALYZING BUSINESS RISK USING EVENT INFORMATION EXTRACTED FROM NATURAL LANGUAGE SOURCES

ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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SIR:

In the Office Action mailed on 27 February 2009, the Examiner has identified two patentably distinct groups within the Claims.

The Applicants elect to proceed with Group II for prosecution on the merits. As indicated by the Examiner, Claims 15-26, 44-53 and 68-74 read upon Group II. Claims 1-14, 27-43 and 54-67 are hereby cancelled as belonging to an unselected Group.

If any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone the Applicants' counsel at the number provided below so that a resolution can be most effectively reached.

Please charge one month extension of time to deposit account 070868.

Respectfully submitted,

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